



Vermont Department of Taxes
133 State Street
Montpelier, VT 05633-1401

VERMONT ESTATE TAX INFORMATION AND APPLICATION FOR TAX CLEARANCES

Name of Decedent and Address of Residence (domicile) at Time of Death	Decedent's Social Security Number
	Spouse's/CU Partner's Social Security Number
Name and Address of Administrator/Executor/Trustee	Employer ID Number (if any)
Name and Address of Attorney (if any)	Date of Death
	Age at Death

Has the estate been entered in Probate Court? ☐ Yes ☐ No

If yes, what District? _____

Section A VERMONT INCOME TAX (See instructions on reverse side)

Is a Vermont Income Tax Return required for Year of Death?

☐ Yes A return must be filed before the tax clearance can be issued.

☐ No Please state reason _____

Section B VERMONT FIDUCIARY TAX (See instructions on reverse side)

If income is received by the estate during administration, Fiduciary tax returns may be due.

Please check the appropriate box below.

☐ No returns are required to be filed.

☐ Required returns have been filed.

☐ Required final return will be filed by _____ .
Date

Section C VERMONT ESTATE TAX (See instructions on reverse side)

Is a U. S. Estate Tax Return, Form 706, required to be filed?

☐ Yes A Vermont Estate Tax Return is required to be filed.

☐ No A Vermont Estate Tax Return is not required to be filed.

I certify that the information contained herein is true, correct, and complete to the best of my knowledge.



Signature of Administrator/Executor/Trustee

Date

INSTRUCTIONS

This application must be filed with the Vermont Department of Taxes when the final account is filed with the Probate Court before the necessary Vermont clearance can be issued. An administrator, executor, or trustee will not be discharged or relieved from bond until taxes required are paid to the Commissioner of Taxes. A final account of an administrator, executor, or trustee will not be allowed until the account shows and the Judge of Probate finds that all income taxes and estate taxes have been paid.

Section A

Every individual who is required to file a Federal return AND either has a Vermont tax liability OR received more than \$100.00 of Vermont income must file a Vermont return. If a Vermont income tax return is to be filed on behalf of the decedent for the year of death, the Department must have this return on file before the tax clearance can be issued. An exception will be made if a joint return is to be filed. Please enter the spouse's social security number in the space provided on the front of this application.

Section B

If a Federal Fiduciary tax return, Form 1041, is required to be filed, a Vermont Fiduciary tax return, Form FI-161, is also required to be filed together with a copy of the Federal Form 1041. If the final Federal Fiduciary return will show all income distributed to the beneficiaries resulting in no Federal or Vermont taxes, please check the last box. Please mark the last return "FINAL". All required Vermont fiduciary tax returns (except the final) must be filed before the tax clearance can be issued.

Section C

If a Federal Estate tax return, Form 706, is required to be filed, a Vermont Estate tax return is required to be filed as well. Vermont Statutes require that a Vermont estate tax return, Form E-1, be filed at the time the Federal 706 is required to be filed including extension of time. A copy of the Federal estate tax closing letter and/or line adjustments must also be filed before a Vermont tax clearance can be issued. If a Federal estate tax return is not required to be filed, a Vermont estate tax return is not required.

The Vermont Department of Taxes will not issue the tax clearance until tax returns are filed and taxes paid, or a copy of this application is filed substantiating that none is due.

Additional information may be obtained by calling the Department of Taxes at (802) 828-2548.